In the Claims:

Kindly amend the claims as follows:

1-10. (canceled)

11. (currently amended) A portable auxiliary vehicle/ automobile warning device capable of being installed/ deployed and/ or removeably secured by the user by simply reaching out of the window to set the device on the roof of the vehicle, comprising:

a flexible housing, configured to expand horizontally as it is unfurled, having a greater width when unfurled than height;

a visual display means on said housing, said visual display means for providing at least one message on one line that can be read in a horizontal fashion, that is from left to right or right to left; and

a means for removably securing said housing to the roof of the vehicle <u>such that</u> said housing, when secured, is completely unfurled to expand horizontally;

wherein said housing and said visual display means are configured to be manipulated by a single hand of the user.

- 12. (original) The device of claim 11, wherein said housing is partitioned into separate joined sections.
- 13. (original) The device of claim 12, wherein said separate joined sections number three.
- 14. (original) The device of claim 12, wherein said separate joined sections fold upon one another.
- 15. (original) The device of claim 11, wherein said visual display means is a series of light emitting diodes.

- 16 18. (canceled)
- 19. (original) The device of claim 11, wherein said housing, said visual display means, and said means for removably securing said housing to the roof of the vehicle are lightweight.
- 20. (original) The device of claim 11, wherein said means for removeably securing said housing to the roof of the vehicle maintains said housing in an upright position, perpendicular to the horizontal plane of the roof of the vehicle.
- 21. (canceled)
- 22. (canceled)
- 23. (canceled)
- 24. (canceled)
- 25. (previously presented) The device of claim 13, wherein said separate joined sections each are dimensioned 1 ½ feet by 1 foot.
- 26. (previously presented) The device of claim 13, wherein at least one of said separate joined sections is dimensioned 1 ½ feet by 1 foot.
- 27. (previously presented) The device of claim 12, wherein said separate joined sections each are dimensioned 1 ½ feet by 1 foot.
- 28. (canceled)
- 29. (canceled)
- 30. (canceled)
- 31. (canceled)
- 32. (new) A method for sending a message, comprising: storing a sign in a glove compartment of a vehicle;

removing the sign from the glove compartment of a vehicle;
physically expanding the sign; and
placing the sign on the roof of the vehicle.